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Applicant: Watkins et al.

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POLYURETHANE AND HYDROXYL FUNCTIONAL
POLYMERS

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Preliminary Amendment Accompanying an RCE

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed June 15, 2006 and the Advisory Action of July 19, Applicants have filed a Request for Continued Prosecution (RCE). Before consideration on the merits, Applicants respectfully entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The three month statutory period for reply is set to expire on September 15, 2006. Reply is timely and no extension fee is due.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.